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## TRAGEDY AT HSS

Tragedy struck on Saturday afternoon, August 3rd, when a serious fire broke out in the Medical Library on the 2nd Floor of the Research Building.

Had it not been for Dr. Al Hersh's quick action in turning in the alarm and the effective response of our fire brigade, the damage would have been worse. As it was, Angel Cuadrado, Albert McIntyre and William White suffered minor smoke inhalation.

Mrs. Kim Barrett, Medical Librarian, is now in the midst of the arduous and heart-breaking task of sifting through the rubble and trying to sort out and salvage the remaining books and periodicals.

In addition, long-range plans are already underway to rebuild the Medical Library. In the meantime, temporary quarters have been set up on the 4th Floor of the Hospital, and as each volume is carefully vacuumed, washed, and its' pages separated, it is placed there.



# INSIDE TALK

Welcome to the following new employees:

Linda Ziering, Accounting; Julius Kidd and John Pascual, Building Service; Dorothy Fontil, Computer Services; Rosbell Joseph, Steven Pimsler, and Harold Stewart, Dietary; Doris Hadley, Medical Records; Mary Fisher, and Thomas Williams, Nursing; Thomas Davies and Jay Feinsilver, Prosthetics/Orthotics; Nancy Russel, Rehabilitation; Christine Casey and Paula Elster, Research.

**Marriages:** Congratulations to Patricia Sherrie, Nursing, who recently became Patricia Leyden.

**Births:** Congratulations to Rubye Florence, Dietary, who became a grandmother. Her grandson, Jason, weighed 6 lbs. 9 oz. at birth.

Judi Barbarette, Dr. Marshall's former secretary, and her husband John, welcomed a new addition to their family on August 8th. Their daughter, Leslie Meredith, weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz.



*Leslie Meredith*

**Deaths:** We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Ted Ortiz, Dietary, on the loss of his son, William; to Eunice MacFarlane, Nursing, on the death of her brother, and to Hattie Mae Watson, Dietary, whose mother recently passed away.

**Illnesses:** Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Lillian Gomenginger, OPD, who was recently admitted to Le Roy Hospital, and to Helen Horne, Dietary, who is now in New York Hospital.

**Employee Activities:** Bernadette Sieh, Laboratory, has returned from a visit to her home in Sao Paulo, Brazil, where a reunion was held in honor of her mother's 60th Birthday. Members of Bernadette's family came from as far as Singapore to be present.

Victor Pagan, Nursing, recently left the Hospital, where he has been employed as a Staff Nurse in order to set up and operate a medical mission in the Bush country of Liberia, West Africa. We greatly admire Mr. Pagan, who has chosen to give so generously of his time and talent in a part of the world where it is greatly needed.

**Other News:** 19 employees have enrolled in the High School Equivalency Program beginning September 10th.

The New York State Department of Taxation and Finance has issued new withholding tables and methods effective on or after August 1, 1974, to reflect the elimination of the 2 1/2% tax surcharge. The new tax tables will be applied to any payment of wages made on or after August 1, 1974 even though payment is for a payroll period begun or ended prior to such date.

Thomas Chargaaff, former Admitting Officer at HSS, has been appointed Administrator of Beverly Glen Hospital in West Los Angeles. Mr. Chargaaff previously was Asst. Administrator at Kaiser Foundation Hospital, Harbor City, California.

John Baer, former Assistant Director at HSS, has been selected as Executive Director of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Nassau County.

## DISASTER DRILL

On August 21, a Disaster Drill was conducted at Special Surgery. These periodic procedures prepare hospital personnel for emergency situations.

Members of the Medical Staff, Nursing, Building Services, OPD and Pharmacy Departments, who have pre-assigned duties, immediately reported to their stations upon hearing the "D" signal over the loud-speaker. Employees who were not given assigned duties, reported to the Personnel Pool, located at the Information Desk, to assist as they were needed.

Nursing Students, posing as injured victims, were taken to Triage (the Clinic Desk) where they were processed and sent to either X-Ray, Minor Surgery or the Pre-Operative Holding Area, whichever was deemed appropriate.

Disaster Drills are held twice each year, in accordance with The Joint Commission of Hospital Accreditation.

At the critique, held after the Drill, Dr. John Lyden, Chairman of the Mass Casualty Committee complimented the HSS Staff on it's efficiency and cooperation.

## BOWLING ENTHUSIASTS

The HSS Bowling League will begin it's 1974/75 Bowling Season on September 4th at 6:00 P.M., at East End Brunswick Lanes at 81st Street and York Avenue. All interested employees are welcome to come down on September 4th, or to contact Richard Cottrell, the League President, at Ext. 295.

## FLU SHOTS

Flu shots will be given, free of charge, to all employees wishing them by the Personnel Health Service. Please be sure to bring your ID card with you.

DATE: Wednesday, September 11 &  
September 25

TIME: 7:30 A.M. to 9:30 A.M.  
and  
3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

PLACE: Clinic, Section #3

## RECREATION THERAPY PARTY

There will be a Children's Party on Saturday, September 14th, from 12 - 4 P.M., in the Garage of the Research Building on 71st Street between York Avenue and the FDR Drive. There will be loads of food and entertainment for the enjoyment of everyone. Hopefully, some of our own employees will provide some of the entertainment.

There will also be a band, a magician, a karate show and a Walt Disney film. In addition, the Recreational Therapy Department of the City of New York is sponsoring a puppet show and an arts and crafts exhibition.

So rain or shine, the show will go on, and we hope you will be there with your family and friends to join in the fun.

## EMPLOYEE CHORUS

The Employee Chorus will soon begin it's 1974 Season of rehearsals for the Christmas Show. Anyone interested in joining the fun, should contact Peggy Primis, Ext. 117.

# HOSPITAL PEOPLE Know What They're Doing Watch HOSPITAL PEOPLE

You'll see hospital people in action during the American Hospital Association's month-long advertising program on the major network news programs beginning September 16.

| Date                    | Evening Network<br>News Programs |     |     |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Monday, September 16    | ABC                              | CBS | NBC |
| Tuesday, September 17   | ABC                              | CBS | NBC |
| Thursday, September 19  | ABC                              | CBS |     |
| Saturday, September 21  | ABC                              | CBS |     |
| Sunday, September 22    |                                  | CBS |     |
| Monday, September 23    |                                  | CBS | NBC |
| Wednesday, September 25 |                                  | CBS | NBC |
| Thursday, September 26  | ABC                              | CBS |     |
| Saturday, September 28  | ABC                              | CBS |     |
| Sunday, September 29    | ABC                              | CBS |     |
| Monday, September 30    | ABC                              |     | NBC |
| Tuesday, October 1      | ABC                              |     | NBC |
| Wednesday, October 2    | ABC                              |     | NBC |
| Saturday, October 5     | ABC                              | CBS |     |
| Sunday, October 6       |                                  | CBS |     |
| Monday, October 7       | ABC                              |     | NBC |
| Tuesday, October 8      | ABC                              |     | NBC |
| Thursday, October 10    |                                  |     | NBC |
| Friday, October 11      |                                  |     | NBC |
| Saturday, October 12    | ABC                              | CBS |     |

Check your local listings for exact times.

## ENGINEERING NEWS

Inflation affects everyone. Every-time we pick up a newspaper, we're greeted with another statistic about a new record jump in one cost or another.

One area that we can save some money is in our use of electrical power. The days of cheap electricity, unfortunately, are over. Here at the hospital our cost of electricity has increased three fold since 1970.

Some of the things we are doing to cut down on electrical usage are:

- ° Ventilating fans are being shut down at night in un-occupied areas.
- ° Incandescent lights are being changed over to fluorescent lights, where possible, since they are more efficient.

Our method of controlling the air conditioning has been changed to make it more efficient.

Of course, we have renewed our efforts to make sure that all lighting in public areas is shut down when not needed. In this respect, we can all help, both at home and at work.

Make sure lights are out when they are not needed. Turn OFF any equipment that is not in use. Look at the areas around you to see if electricity may be ON when it is not needed. It could mean money in YOUR pocket.

Joseph Weiss, Dir. Engr.

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